# Brown Shoe Company, Inc. Investor Update

Spring 2007



This document contains certain forward-looking statements and expectations regarding the Company's future performance and the future performance of its brands. Such statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially. These include (i) the preliminary nature of estimates of the costs and benefits of the strategic earnings enhancement plan, which are subject to change as the Company refines these estimates over time; (ii) intense competition within the footwear industry; (iii) rapidly changing consumer demands and fashion trends and purchasing patterns, which may be influenced by consumers' disposable income, which in turn can be influenced by general economic conditions; (iv) customer concentration and increased consolidation in the retail industry; (v) the Company's ability to successfully implement its strategic earnings enhancement plan; (vi) political and economic conditions or other threats to continued and uninterrupted flow of inventory from China and Brazil, where the Company relies heavily on third-party manufacturing facilities for a significant amount of its inventory; (vii) the Company's ability to attract and retain licensors and protect its intellectual property; (viii) the Company's ability to secure leases on favorable terms; (ix) the Company's ability to maintain relationships with current suppliers; and (x) the uncertainties of pending litigation. The Company's reports to the Securities and Exchange Commission contain detailed information relating to such factors, including, without limitation, the information under the caption "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of the Company's Annual Report for the year ended January 28, 2006 and as updated in the Company's 10-Q for the Quarter ended October 28, 2006, which information is incorporated by reference herein. The Company does not undertake any obligation or plan to update these forward-looking statements, even though its situation may change.

March 12, 2007

#### NOTE:

On March 8, 2007, The Company announced a 3-for-2 stock split to be effected April 2, 2007. All per share data detailed in this packet is on a pre-split basis. Guidance was issued on March 8, 2007 and has not been updated.



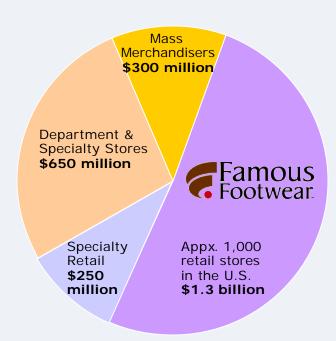
#### Brown Shoe At A Glance

#### Brown Shoe Today -- \$2.5 Billion in Sales for 2006

▶ Integrated wholesale-retail platform. Consumer-driven enterprise that builds brands and retail concepts while gaining market share

#### 38% Wholesale

- 91 million pairs sourced
- 2,000 retail customers

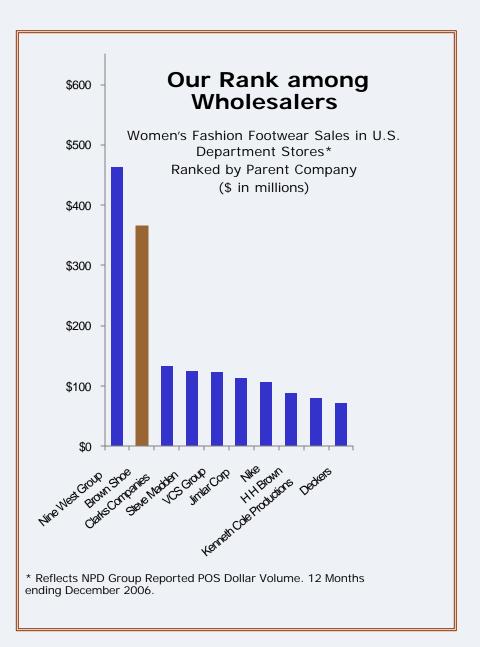


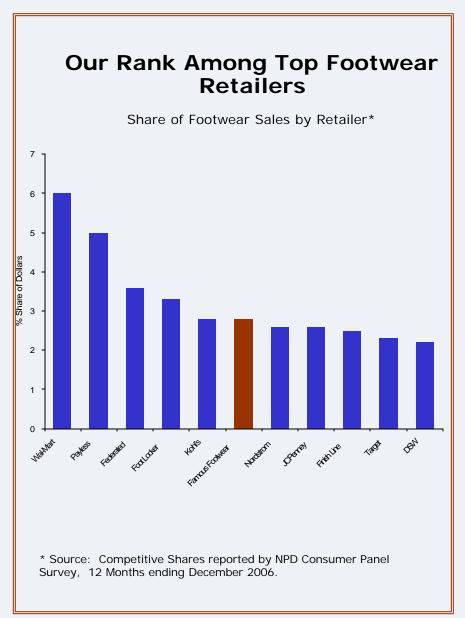
#### 62% Retail

- Appx. 1,300 stores
- 40 million pairs
- 130 million consumers visit our stores/year
- 9 e-commerce sites
- 30+ million evisitors/year



#### Brown Shoe At A Glance





### **Brown Shoe Company Portfolio**

ATHLETIC = \$11.4 B **FASHION** = \$32.3 B Salon 1A SPIGA shoes.com Bridge No. 11 No. 3 Pureplay **Ecommerce Footwear** Impulse Better **Q** ETIENNE AIGNER No. 2 No. 11 Comfort Famous Footwear Dr. Scholl's Inside naturalizer Moderate No. 1 Branded Family Footwear No. 1 No. 3 Buster Junior No. 11 Mass

## Review of BWS Financials

(all \$'s in millions except EPS)

	53 Weeks Ended February 3, 2007	52 Weeks Ended January 28, 2006	<u>% Chg.</u>
<b>Consolidated</b>			
Sales	\$2,470.9	\$2,292.1	+ 7.8%
Net Earnings			
GAAP	\$65.7	\$41.0	+ 60.3%
Adjusted*	\$71.0	\$62.9	+ 12.9%
EPS			
GAAP	\$2.26	\$1.45	+ 55.9%
Adjusted*	\$2.44	\$2.22	+ 9.9%
<b>Gross Margin</b>	39.3%	39.2%	
Debt/Cap*	22.4%	31.5%	
Cash Flow from			
Operations	\$142.2	\$145.9	- 2.5%

<sup>\*</sup>See Appendix for reconciliation



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Famous Footwear			
Sales	\$1,282.1	\$1,187.2	+ 8.0%
<b>Operating Profit</b>	\$89.8	\$67.0	+ 34.0%
Wholesale			
Sales	\$930.8	\$864.9	+ 7.6%
Operating Profit*	\$71.0	\$80.1	- 11.4%

<sup>\*</sup>Includes \$3.8 million in costs associated with the exit of the Bass license and \$3.6 million of strategic initiatives costs in 2006, and \$0.6 million in expenses related to Naturalizer turnaround initiatives in 2005

#### **Specialty Retail**

Sales	\$257.9	\$240.0	+ 7.5%
Operating Profit * *	(\$3.8)	(\$22.7)	nm

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes strategic initiatives costs of \$1.1 million in 2006 and \$14.1 million in charges to close underperforming Naturalizer stores in 2005



#### First Quarter 2007 & Full Year Guidance

As of March 8, 2007 and has not been updated

First Quarter 2007 EPS:

**GAAP** \$0.27 to \$0.29

**Adjusted\*** \$0.37 to \$0.39

Full Year 2007 EPS:

**GAAP** \$2.28 to \$2.33

**Adjusted\*** \$2.75 to \$2.80

#### **Other Estimates:**

Consolidated Sales: \$2.48 - \$2.52 Billion

Consolidated Tax Rate: Increasing 200 bps to 31.7% or \$0.07/share

Increase in Marketing Spend: + \$4 million, a double-digit increase

**Famous Footwear** 

**Same-Store Sales:** + 2.5% - 3.5%

Net Store Openings: + 65 stores

Wholesale: Wholesale sales will be below 2006 full-year results, with

growth of its branded business offset by the exit of the Bass

license and a sales decline in its private label business.



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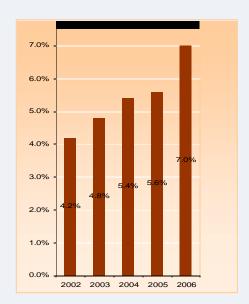
#### Shaping our Platform for Growth

Sales and Operating
Earnings
Improvement for
BWS (millions \$)



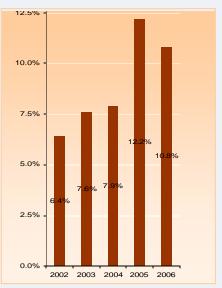
- ► Net sales grew 34% since 2002
- ► Operating earnings grew 52% since 2002

Operating Margin Improvement at Famous Footwear



► Operating margin steadily improving at Famous Footwear

Department Store
Market Share
Improvement at
Wholesale\*



▶ Second largest supplier to department stores; 400+ bp gain in last 5 years

<sup>\*</sup> Reflects NPD Group Reported POS Dollar Volume. 12 months ending December 2006.

#### **Brown Shoe Vision:**

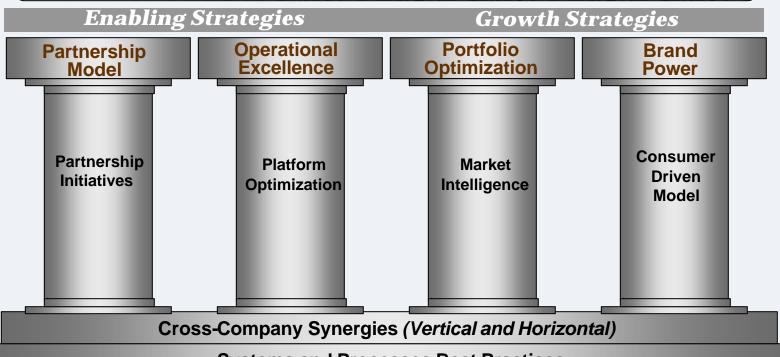
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#### **Brown Shoe Pillars**

# Growth 2 Great

Brown Shoe is THE leading footwear marketer winning loyal customers with compelling brands



**Systems and Processes Best Practices** 

**Thoughtful Planning and Rigorous Execution** 

**Talent and Leadership** 

#### **Brown Shoe Vision**

- Partnership Model
  - ► Continue path towards being a world-class partner holistically in the industry: Vendor, Supplier, Customer, Consumer, Real Estate, Investor
- Operational Excellence
  - ► Disciplined approach to profitability enhancement, efficiency and effectiveness
- Portfolio Optimization
  - Financial and market orientation
  - Maximize returns and market space opportunities
- Brand Power
  - ► Leverage our unique branded assets
  - ▶ Delivering consumer-driven brands to the marketplace



- ▶ Building differentiated, market-leading brands driven by consumer preference
  - 1. Developed Brown Brand-Building Model
  - 2. Developing premier product and design capabilities





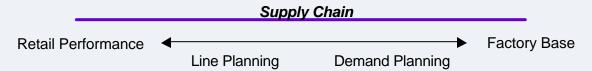
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#### New York Design Studio

3. Increasing investments in marketing, merchandising, research and talent



4. Refining Consumer-Driven Model:



5. Embracing leading-edge analytics and tools



# Brands targeting key consumer segments...

BWS Consumer	Brown Shoe Brands	Style Profile	Segment Needs	Buying Power (% Total female spend)
Explorer	ARTES  VICENTIAN  VICENTIAN  RIGITS  RIGITS  RESERVED	Seeks expressive, youthful brands. Wants to experiment with fashion at an affordable price.	Sexy, eye-catching, styles that she can wear with everything from jeans to dresses	16%
Sophisticate	FRANCO SARTO	Shops the most and seeks attainable luxury. Is willing to pay for high quality and high style.	Sophisticated, youthful, trend- setting style that stands out	18%
Leader	FRANCO SARTO	Seeks fresh classics and high quality. Looks for good value.	Twist on basics instead of trends, quality brands with understated indulgence	14%
Balancer	naturalizer  Lifus de	Likes trusted, accessible brands. Looks for quality and a balance of comfort and style.	"Trusted basics" that prioritize comfort and quality	24%

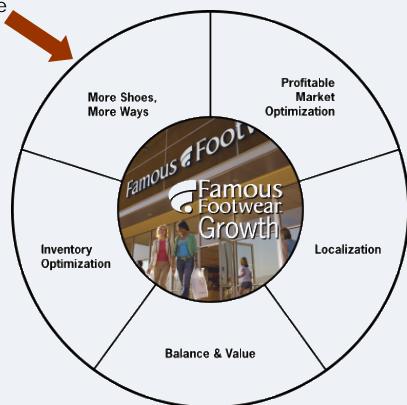
Building differentiated, market-leading brands driven by consumer preference

► Famous **7** Footwear.

Creating Differentiation is key

Technology/redefining service







▶ Building differentiated, market-leading brands driven by consumer preference

## naturalizer

- Sell-through model; Fresh trend-right product
- Extended brand essence to new categories and consumer touchpoints
- Tightly-targeted consumer communications
- Improved product delivered when she wants to buy
- Model to be leveraged across all BWS wholesale







- Building differentiated, market-leading brands driven by consumer preference
  - ▶ Brown New York
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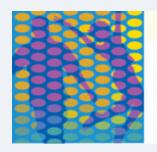
- Allows us to play in new zones reaching new consumers
- Strong emotional connection with consumer
- Fashion/Style Credibility/Talent
- Brand extension potential
- Brown New York Transition work:

#### Identifying the problems Competing in the Present Winning in the Future **DEVELOPING A PERSPECTIVE** INSTALLING THE PLATFORM CREATING TRANSFORMATION Investigating the issues Becoming More Profitable Strategic Branding Consumer Research Supply Chain opportunities · Next Generation Branding New Leadership Elevate product execution, impactful Merchandising and planning Organization structure stories Marketing - reengage consumer Real Estate Transition · Take advantage of Global Sourcing capabilities New Design Talent, improved Product Development process Talent issues • Inefficient processes

Building differentiated, market-leading brands driven by consumer preference



- High brand recognition and strong equity
  - 97% brand awareness driven by insole TV and print advertising
- Partnerships with Wal-Mart and Schering-Plough
- Extend asset into new categories and channels
- Growth through vertical model











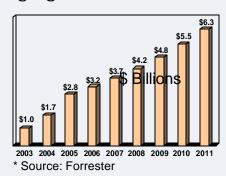


- Building differentiated, market-leading brands driven by consumer preference
  - Direct-to-Consumer
    - **№** shoes.com pure play
    - Branded web sites and multi-channel opportunities

**\*\*** naturalizer Famous **\*** Footwear.

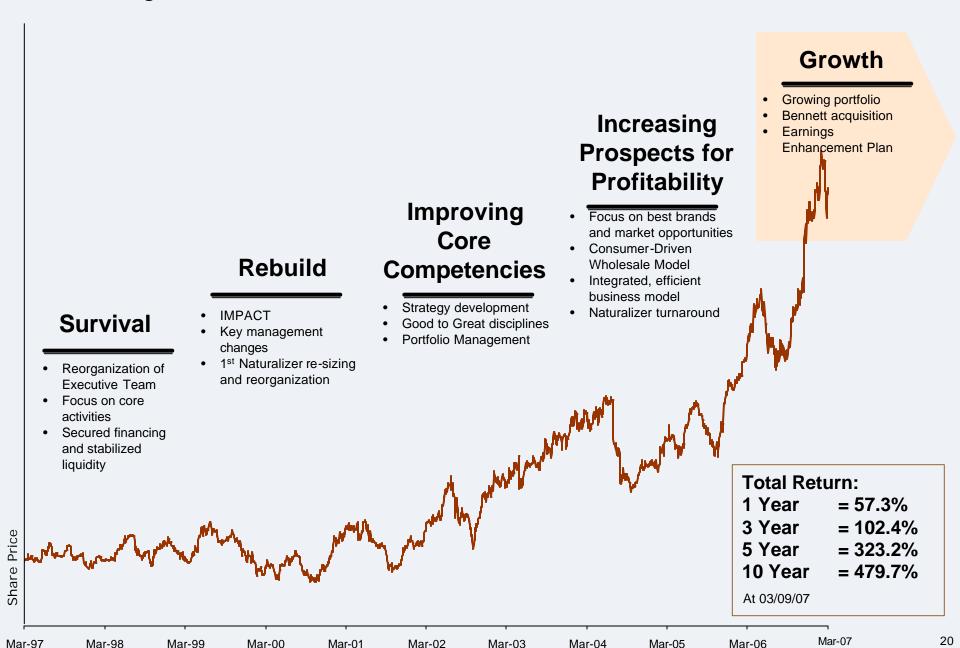
Growth by winning in new and emerging markets

Online Footwear: Projected to be over \$6B market by 2011\*





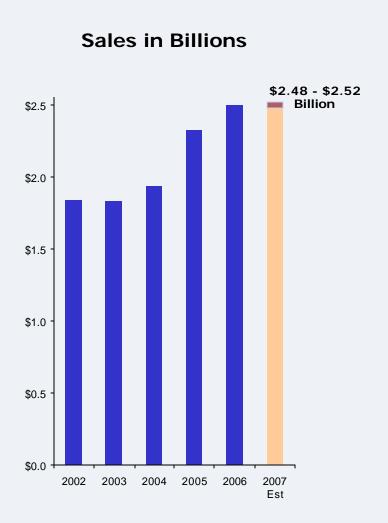
## Positioning for Growth

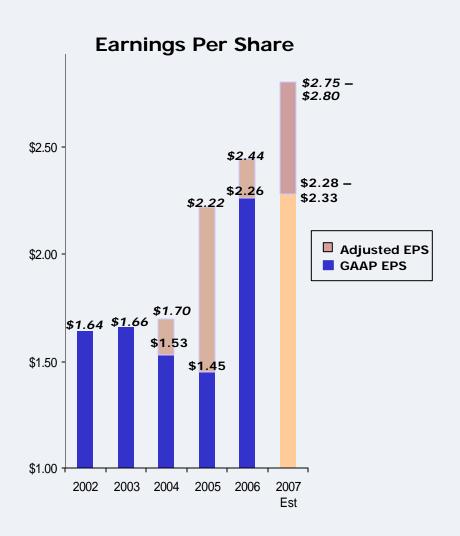


# Appendix



#### Sales and EPS - 2001 to Estimated 2006\*

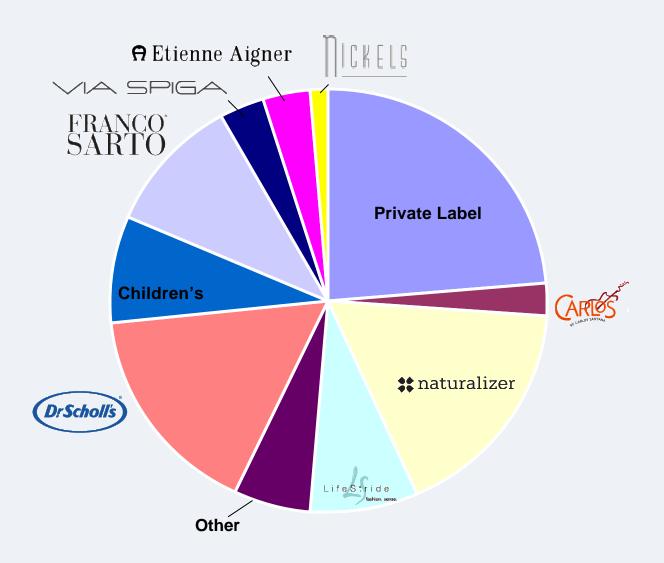




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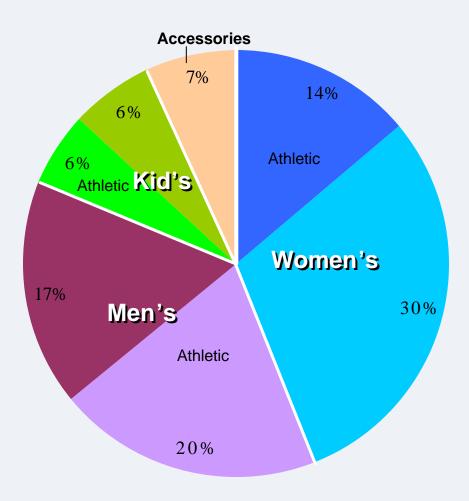
Charges and recoveries included in net earnings and EPS for 2005, 2006 and 2007 are listed in the Reconciliation of Net Earnings to Adjusted Net Earnings in this Appendix.

#### Distinct Wholesale Portfolio - 2006



# Famous Footwear -- Sales by category

Based on 12 months ended January 2007



## Strategic Earnings Enhancement Plan

During the second quarter of 2006, the Company introduced a strategic earnings enhancement plan designed to increase earnings and reallocate resources, through i) restructuring administrative and support areas; ii) redesigning logistics and distribution platforms; iii) reorganizing to eliminate operational redundancies; iv) realigning strategic priorities; and v) refining the supply chain process and enhancing inventory utilization. Annual after-tax savings expected to be achieved upon completion of the initiatives are estimated to be \$17–\$20 million.

In 2006, we made substantial progress in implementing a number of initiatives under this plan, including:

- Announcing the closing of our Needham, MA, office and Dover, NH, distribution center, which housed the Bennett business. These facilities will close in the first quarter of 2007;
- Consolidating our New York City operations to accommodate the offices of our Brown New York personnel, as well as our product development teams and showrooms;
- Announcing the closing of our Italian sales office in the first quarter of 2007;
- Outsourcing our Canadian wholesale business to a third party distributor, as of the beginning of fiscal 2007;
- Closing all but one of our Via Spiga stores;
- Making various personnel reductions throughout the Company to streamline our operations.

These actions resulted in charges of \$6.3 million in 2006 (\$3.9 million on an after-tax basis, or \$0.13 per diluted share).



## Strategic Earnings Enhancement Plan (continued)

While much has been accomplished, certain of the initiatives are still in early stages of development, and the Company expects to update cost and savings estimates as they are further developed. Current estimates are as follows:

- In 2007, after-tax implementation costs are estimated to be approximately \$14 million, while the Company expects to realize after-tax benefits of \$10 to \$12 million:
- In 2008, after-tax implementation costs are estimated to be approximately \$5 million and annual after-tax benefits are still estimated to be \$17 to \$20 million.

**Note**: The above data, as provided in The Company's March 8, 2007 Press Release for the year and fourth quarter ended February 3, 2007, reflects then current estimates for costs and benefits related to the initiatives. We expect to refine this information in the upcoming quarters and provide updated guidance as appropriate.



# Debt to Capital Ratio

(Millions of dollars, except for Debt to Capital Ratio)

Debt to Capital Ratio	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Total Debt Obligations*	\$ 151	\$ 200	\$ 142	\$ 120	\$ 152	\$ 216
Total Shareholders' Equity	524	434	391	350	292	<u>253</u>
Total Capital	\$ 675	\$ 634	\$ 533	\$ 470	\$ 444	\$ 469
Debt to Capital Ratio**	22.4%	31.5%	26.6%	26.0%	34.0%	46.0%

<sup>\*</sup> Total Debt Obligations include long term debt, borrowings under revolving credit agreement and capital lease obligations.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Total Debt Obligations divided by Total Capital

# Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings to Adjusted Net Earnings: 2006 v. 2005

	2006*		2005		
		Per diluted		Per diluted	
<u>-</u>	After-tax \$	share	After-tax \$	share	
Net earnings	\$65,708	\$2.26	\$41,000	\$1.45	
Ctratagia initiativas asata	2.027	0.42			
Strategic initiatives costs Environmental insurance	3,927	0.13			
recoveries and charges	(1,007)	(0.03)			
Costs related to withdrawal	(1,007)	(0.00)			
from Bass license	2,337	0.08			
Charges related to closing					
Naturalizer stores			9,216	0.33	
Tax provision related to					
repatriation of foreign earnings			12,000	0.42	
Bridge loan fee associated with			005	0.00	
Bennett acquisition			635	0.02	
Adjusted net earnings	\$70,965	\$2.44	\$62,851	\$2.22	

#### Non-GAAP Financial Measures

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<sup>\*</sup>Fiscal 2006 includes stock option expense of \$0.14 per share with no related expense in fiscal 2005

# Reconciliation of GAAP Net Earnings to Adjusted Net Earnings: 2005 – 2007 Estimated\*\*

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		Full Year				
	1st Quarter	Diluted	Net	Diluted	Net	Diluted
(in millions, except EPS data)	Diluted EPS	EPS	Earnings	EPS	Earnings	EPS
GAAP Results	\$0.27 - 0.29	\$ 2.28 - 2.33	\$ 65.7	\$ 2.26	\$ 41.0	\$ 1.45
Special Charges and Recoveries:						
Strategic Initiatives Costs	0.10	0.47	3.9	0.13	-	-
Incremental Bass Exit Costs	-	-	2.3	0.08	-	-
Insurance Recoveries	-	-	(1.0)	(0.03)	-	-
Naturalizer Restructuring	-	-	-	-	9.2	0.33
Tax Repatriation	-	-	-	-	12.0	0.42
Bridge Loan Fee	-	-	-	-	0.6	0.02
Adjusted Earnings	\$0.37 - 0.39	\$ 2.75-2.80	<u>\$ 71.0</u>	\$ 2.44	<u>\$ 62.9</u>	\$ 2.22

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